

FARM AND HOUSE.

CULTIVATION OF WHEAT.

At the meeting of the Elkhorn, N. Y., Club on the 15th of November, the following proceedings were had:

Being called upon by President Hoffman, Mr. Davie proceeded to explain the method by which the yield of wheat had been increased in a remarkable degree on many farms, and he exhibited the device intended to bring such advantage. The whole is comprised in a drill hoe, having within the spear near the bottom an iron rib, adjusted in such manner as to intercept the falling seed and distribute it over a breath of four inches, instead of in a line as in the usual method. The passage of such distribution is to give more room to the plants, and also permits spring cultivation. With this object two drill tubes, eight inches apart, as they are usually set, are passed into one hole, so that, as the drill advances, a strip four inches wide is seeded, and the remaining eleven inches left unseeded. Through these unseeded strips the cultivation is effected by means of a scuffling instrument having three prongs, the middle one presenting a sharp flat face in the earth when drawn forward, the outer prongs merely cutting edges, the whole scuffling the ground without covering the plants with earth. Reliable reports of practical trials made on many farms showed increased yield of wheat in the ratio of three bushels to the acre, by the improved method to two by the old and even greater increase. The trials substantiated the testimony of old men, by my own experience. On the worst piece of fly ground I ever had, I tried it and it made upwards of sixteen bushels to the acre.

REASON FOR FLY IN WHEAT.—The following remedy for Destroying Fly in wheat is suggested by Mr. Frank G. Buffin in the last number of the "Agricultural Journal":

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